

MEMORANDUM

Date: June 18, 2020
To: Transfer 83955
From: Scott Stosich
Re: Review & Evaluation of Sufficiency of Information

The purpose of this transfer is to add a point of diversion to water rights 25-7148, 25-7191, 25-7418, 25-7509, 25-14035, 25-14055, 25-14114, 25-14326 and 25-14327 which provide water for the Falls Water Company.

Authority to File:

The applicant, Falls Water Co., is the current water right owner on record, and the signee, K. Scott Bruce, is the general manager of the company, and therefore has authority to sign on the company's behalf. According to a provided deed, the applicant does own the property at the proposed POD.

Water Right Validity:

The rights 25-7148, 25-7191, 25-7418, 25-14035, 25-14055, 25-14326 and 25-14327 were decreed in the SRBA in 2005. Water right 25-7509 was licensed in 1992 and right 25-14114 was licensed in 2002. Forfeiture is not an issue.

Injury to Other Water Rights:

Other water rights will not be injured by the proposed change. A point of diversion is being added to the water rights, but the quantity authorized to be diverted will not change as a result of the transfer. The proposed change is within the ESPA model boundary, therefore a mitigation model simulation was performed and resulted in no additional mitigation required. The proposed change was advertised and no protests were received. Lastly, the watermaster for Water District 120 does not oppose the approval of this transfer.

Enlargement of Use:

The proposed change will not result in enlargement because neither the rate nor volume will increase as a result of the transfer. The additional POD is being added to a network of wells that provide water to Falls Water Co. customers, but the water rights contain limits and combined limits that will not increase or enlarge such rights.

Local Public interest:

No issues identified.

Beneficial Use/Conservation of Water Resources:

No issues identified.

Effect on Economy the Local Area:

No issues identified.

Effect on Agricultural Base of the Local Area:

No issues identified.

Review of the application finds there is no clear inconsistency with criteria set forth in Section 42-222 Idaho Code preventing processing of this application.